

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-8, 10, 13, 19, 29-34, 45 and 84 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 4-8, 10, 13, 19, 29-34, 45 and 84 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of Double Patenting. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application, withdrawal of all rejections, and allowance of the application in view of the amendments and remarks below.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants note that a previously submitted Information Disclosure Statement submitted on May 5, 2005, contained a typographical error in which U.S. Application No. 10/750,303 was listed as No. 10/750,30. Applicants have resubmitted this reference in a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement dated November 3, 2006. U.S. Application No. 10/750,303 has been issued as U.S. Patent 7,078,020.

Obviousness-type Double Patenting

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 5-8, 10, 13, 19, 29-34, 45 and 84 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 10, 39, 40, 129, 130, 141, 142, 146, 147, 157, 160, 165-167, 169, 171 and 172 of U.S. Application No. 10/057,197. In the interest of expediting prosecution, Applicant is submitting a Terminal Disclaimer with this Office Action in response to this rejection.

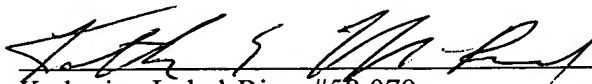
Conclusion

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's careful and thorough review of the application and submit that the Examiner's concerns have been addressed by the amendments and remarks above. Applicants accordingly request the Examiner to withdraw all rejections and allow the application. In the event the Examiner believes a telephonic discussion would expedite allowance or help to resolve outstanding issues, prosecution of the application, then the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

This constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and an authorization to charge all fees therefore to deposit account No. 19-5117, if not otherwise specifically requested. The undersigned hereby authorizes the charge of any fees created by the filing of this document or any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to be charged to deposit account No. 19-5117.

Respectfully submitted,

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